



Crop Progress and Condition

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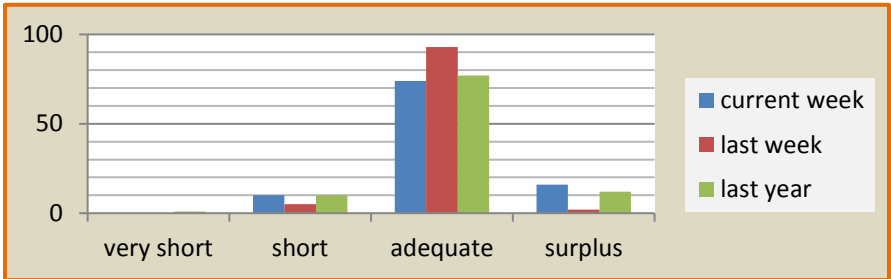
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 2.0. Weather conditions continue to be wet with showers, limiting fieldwork. Farming activities this week included getting ready for the State Fair, making hay, harvesting wheat and picking peaches as the weather allowed.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/05/18

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	10	74	16
Subsoil	-	4	91	5

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 08/05/18



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 08/05/18

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	-	19	71	10
Peaches	-	-	29	70	1
Corn	2	2	23	65	8
Hay	-	-	26	70	4
Soybeans	-	-	10	86	4
Pasture	-	6	42	50	2
Cattle & Calves	-	-	25	69	6
Sheep & Lambs	-	-	12	83	5

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 08/05/18

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Peaches harvested	43	33	41	30
Corn silking	49	36	61	70
Corn dough	8	2	18	19
Hay second cut	30	22	39	29
Soybeans emerged	87	83	99	100
Soybeans blooming	16	10	38	55
Winter Wheat harvested	81	73	97	90

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending August 05, 2018

Temperatures in West Virginia ended very close to normal with only a few stations slightly below normal and one slightly above. Temperatures were seasonable due to cloud coverage and rainfall from an approaching low pressure system at the start of the week. Temperatures went up slightly above normal for Saturday and continued on throughout the weekend. The area experienced a lot of rainfall across the board. Some areas had several flash flooding issues, and during the week almost the entire area was in a flash flood watch at one point. Two stations, Williamson and Wheeling, were very lucky and only received small amounts of precipitation compared to all of the others. After the frontal passage, weather conditions became relatively dry over the weekend. However, afternoon heating and high dew points were enough to initiate isolated pop-up storms which registered even more rainfall amounts in certain areas.

Temperatures: Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 93 degrees. Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 53 degrees. The state average temperature was 73 degrees.

Precipitation: Ripley had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 5.55 inches. Williamson had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.34 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 2.57 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 08/05/18									
Temperature					Precipitation				
Station	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2018	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST-----									
WHEELING	86	64	73	1	0.53	0.76	22.55	23.31	16.60
PARKERSBURG	88	65	75	1	1.62	0.86	16.76	24.12	16.63
CRESTON	90	61	73		4.51		21.38	17.73	
--NORTHCENTRAL-----									
MORGANTOWN	87	63	73	0	1.45	0.86	19.54	25.12	17.46
CLARKSBURG	88	62	74	1	1.19	1.08	18.38	27.30	18.99
BELINGTON	90	60	73		3.53		27.14	24.11	
WESTON	87	64	73		3.19		27.21	26.12	
--SOUTHWEST-----									
WILLIAMSON	93	66	76		0.34		15.70	27.88	
HUNTINGTON	90	65	75	-1	1.61	0.94	17.81	19.74	17.45
CHARLESTON	90	63	75	-1	1.96	1.00	19.26	20.82	18.16
RIPLEY	90	61	73		5.55		23.11	19.06	
--CENTRAL-----									
TERRA ALTA	80	58	68		3.31		27.48	30.48	
ELKINS	84	58	70	0	3.16	1.00	27.46	20.51	19.62
MARLINTON	85	60	70		3.71		21.42	19.82	
--SOUTHERN-----									
BECKLEY	81	53	68	-2	2.53	1.05	17.10	22.21	17.98
PINEVILLE	88	65	74		1.10		17.99	26.74	
BLUEFIELD	85	58	71	-3	2.27	0.82	16.93	24.19	16.75
WHITE SUL SP	85	60	72		3.84		19.73	18.10	
BLUESTONE DAM	86	61	71		3.20		18.36	19.05	
--NORTHEASTERN-----									
MARTINSBURG	91	66	76	2	3.26	0.79	30.08	20.86	15.63
KEYSER	92	62	73		2.98		26.49	21.78	
MOOREFIELD	87	63	73		1.67		19.44	17.45	
State Average Temperature	73								
State Average Precipitation	2.57								

Source:
Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.

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